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## A Veritable Fish Story.

[From the Milwaukee Sentinel, March 1.]

Fish stories are proverbially discredited; so much so, that when we get hold of a good one we are almost loth to tell it, for fear our statement may be laughed at. However, despite this, we will relate an incident which happened yesterday, and which was told us by a gentleman whose veracity we have never had occasion to doubt.

It seems that a number of men and boys were at work almost opposite the Detroit and Milwaukee depot, when one of the number saw an enormous sturgeon swimming near the surface of the water, close by the dock. The party armed themselves with poles, and other weapons, while a boy, named Patrick Nolan, procured a boat-hook, and resolved upon the capture of the monster. Patrick made a lunge at the fish, and caught the hook in its back, but before he had time to brace himself and haul the fish on the dock, it darted out into the river, jerking him from his footing into the icy water. The boy held on to the boat-hook, and was dragged with great velocity out in the middle of the stream, and then out toward the lake.

The spectators, meanwhile, were almost paralyzed with terror. They were powerless to help Nolan, and could only look on and see him dragged through the water by a monstrous fish at a rate of speed exceeding that of the fastest rowboat. They called to him to release his hold of the boat-hook; but he, either too much terrified to heed, or not being able to hear, clung to it as it was his only hope of life. The monster fish, maddened by pain, and terrified by the loud he was dragging, lashed the water into flakes of foam as he sped outward toward the great lake, never staying in his mad course. Death seemed the only fate awaiting the boy, and one or two of those on shore knelt down and implored the mercy of Heaven upon his soul as he fast receded from their sight, perhaps forever. Providentially, however, a couple of fishermen, who were in a boat near the straight-cut, saw what had transpired, and, although unable at that distance to understand the full nature of the affair, intercepted the course of the fish. But there's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip; for just as they were about to grasp the almost insatiable form of the lad, the fish changed its course, and the boy escaped from their hands. They commenced a pursuit, however, and being stout and skilled fishermen, the fish having somewhat slackened its speed, they succeeded, after a chase of about half a block, in grasping the lad and lifting him into their boat, and the sturgeon passed on into the lake. The boy fell fainting into the bottom of the boat, and was taken home almost dead from terror and the chill of the water. Had he remained in the water only a few moments longer his life would have paid the forfeit of his attempt to deprive one of the finny tribe of its existence.

## GOOD ORDER IN LOUDOUN COUNTY, VA.

As a matter of interest to outsiders, a cause of just congratulation to the people of this county, and a wholesome commentary upon the wretched fabrications of the Radical party as to the gross lawlessness prevalent at the South, we are glad to be able to state that since the 15th day of January last there has been but a solitary inmate of our county jail, and that one a half crazy white boy who is there simply because we have no better place in which to take care of him. There has not been a single commitment to the jail, on a criminal charge, since last October. We defy a clearer record in any county in the North, or the same population—viz: 21,000—10,000 of whom are white.

We will further add that the last criminals confined here were three young men, one of whom had eluded the vigilant search of Federal soldiers for months. They were arrested in Maryland, brought to this county by the civil authorities—tried by an unconstructed jury, were able defended by able counsel, and were all of them had been soldiers in the Confederate army, yet, notwithstanding all this they were tried, convicted, and sentenced to the penitentiary, two of them for ten years each, and the other for fifteen years, one of the charges against the latter being the maiming of a negro; and yet there are men in Loudoun who have the effrontery to prate about the lawlessness of the South, and their inability to have justice.—*Loudoun Mirror.*

"I can't conceive," said one landowner to another, "how it is you manage. I am convinced that you are not of a disposition to spend more than your income; and yet, though your estate is less than mine, I could not afford to live at the rate you do." "My lord," said the other, "I have a place." "A place!" you exclaim. "I never heard of it till now. Pray, what place?" "I am my own steward."

During the first ten days of this month there were 261 applications of colored persons of the District for employment at the freedmen's bureau agency in Washington. There were 256 persons applying for servants, and 167 were provided. In Alexandria 83 applications were made for servants and 61 applicants for employment, who were satisfied.

John Quincy Adams, grandson of ex-President Adams, telegraphed to the President to withdraw his name as naval officer for the port of Boston, but before the message was received, the Senate had rejected him.

Chief Justice Chase is already overwhelmed by applications for appointments as registers under the bankrupt act. He will not appoint any until after the meeting of the Supreme Court in April next.

The shipments of cotton from New York during the week ending Tuesday, says the Times, were to the enormous amount of over 22,000 bales of the currency value of nearly \$3,250,000.

The Pope has recently issued an allocation declaring it his purpose to appoint bishops to fill the many vacancies now existing throughout Europe.

**F. L. O. U. K.**  
40 bbls A. M. Janney's and Forest Mills Extra, for sale by  
THOMAS PERRY.

## COURT NOTICES.

**IN THE COUNTY COURT OF ALEXANDRIA COUNTY, VIRGINIA, January 10, 1867.**  
Arthur Herbert and John W. Burke, partners, trading under the firm name of Burke & Herbert, and Arthur Herbert, in his own right, on behalf of themselves and all others, the creditors of Eliza P. Herbert, deceased—plaintiffs, vs. Caroline Fairfax, Alfred Herbert, Emma Bryant, Edward Herbert, John E. Eversfield and Lucinda, his wife, John C. Herbert, James R. Herbert, Matthias Herbert, Hare P. Herbert, Upton Herbert, William C. Herbert, Elizabeth D. Herbert, Herbert Norris, Archibald Fairfax, and Eliza, his wife, Eugene Ayde, and Irwin and Anrolia, his wife, Monimia Carr, John Fairfax, Charles Fairfax, Henry M. Fairfax, an infant, Herbert C. Fairfax, Orlando Fairfax, Hunter, Thomas T. Hunter, Madeline Hunter, Thomas T. Hunter, Jr., Charles Hunter, an infant, Frank Harwood, and Julia, his wife, Sallie Hunter, an infant, and Minnie Hunter, an infant, defendants—in chancery.  
The decree in the aforesaid cause directs the undersigned, Master in Chancery, to ascertain and report  
1st. The indebtedness of the estate of Eliza P. Herbert at the time of her death.  
2nd. The value of personal assets which have or are yet to come into the hands of her administrator.  
3rd. The real estate of which she died seized, and its value.  
4th. The liens on the said real estate, their amount and priorities respectively.  
The said decree further directs the said Master to give notice, by publication, in some newspaper published in Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, which publication shall be equivalent to personal service of notice upon the parties.  
COMM'RS. OFFICE, Feb. 28, 1867.  
Notice is hereby given to the parties interested in the decree, of which the foregoing is an abstract, that I have fixed upon THURSDAY, the 28th day of March, 1867, at my office in the city of Alexandria, to execute the said decree.  
JOHN WEST,  
Master in Chancery of the County Court of Alex. co.  
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## COURT NOTICES.

**VIRGINIA.**—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Prince William county, on the 4th day of March, 1867, William Earnest, plaintiff, vs. Clara McNair and her husband, name unknown; Stephen McNair, Fred. McNair, Henry McNair, Robt. McNair, Dolph McNair and Francis J. Cannon, late Sheriff of Prince William county, Committee Administrator of John McNair, deceased, defendants: In chancery.  
The object of this bill is to have the mortgage executed by John McNair, in his lifetime, to the plaintiff, conveying certain lands, situated in Prince William county, Va., to secure a note or bond of \$3000, payable on the 1st of December, 1860, with interest from date, foreclosed; said bonds subject to sale, and the proceeds applied in discharge of said note or bond.  
The defendants, Clara McNair and her husband, name unknown; Stephen McNair, Fred. McNair, Henry McNair, Robt. McNair, and Dolph McNair, not having appeared and given security according to the act of Assembly and the rules of this Court, and appearing by affidavit that they are non-residents of this State, it is ordered that the said defendants appear here within one month after due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interest in this suit; and that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the city of Alexandria, once a week for four successive weeks, and posted at the front door of the Court House of this county. A copy, testes—  
JOHN CAMPER, Clerk.  
Brent & Wattle, P. Q. mh 7-law4w

**VIRGINIA.**—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, March rules, 1867, Israel Trammell, in his own right, and as administrator of Malbon Trammell, deceased, plaintiff, vs. John Trammell, George Trammell and others: In chancery.  
Memorandum: The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for the sale of a tract of land, belonging to Malbon Trammell, deceased, and distribute the proceeds of sale to the creditors of said Malbon Trammell, deceased. It is ordered that the defendants, Margaret Underwood and George Trammell, are not residents of this State, it is ordered that they appear within one month after due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect their interests. A copy, testes—  
W. B. GOODING, Clerk.  
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**VIRGINIA.**—At rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, March rules, 1867, C. C. Bradley vs. A. C. S. Smet: In case.  
Memorandum: The object of this suit is to obtain a judgment against the said defendant for \$84, with interest from the 22nd day of March, 1861, and to attach the interest of said defendant to a tract of land, in the county of Fairfax, containing 20 acres, 1 road and 25 perches of land, being the said land conveyed to Alex. N. C. Smet by Allan Macrae, to pay the same.  
It appearing by affidavit filed that the defendant, A. C. S. Smet, is not a resident of this State, it is ordered that he appear within one month after due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect his interest. A copy, testes—  
W. B. GOODING, Clerk.  
Smith, P. Q. mh 7-law4w

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